

ABSTRACT

One embodiment of the present invention provides an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator for subcutaneous positioning between the third rib and the twelfth rib within a patient, the implantable cardioverter-defibrillator including a housing; wherein the housing comprises a proximal end having a width and a distal end having a width and wherein the width of the proximal end is less than the width of the distal end; an electrical circuit located within the housing; and an electrode electrically coupled to the electrical circuit and located on the housing..